

# STATE OF ALASKA

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Mr. David C. Miller  
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RE: 2004-2006 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment #12

Dear Mr. Miller:

This minor amendment, which only requires FHWA approval, is submitted for your consideration.

We propose to add earmarked projects from the 2005 Consolidated Appropriations Act and add two sanitation road projects. The earmarked projects are:

### National Corridor Planning and Development

#### **Kotzebue to Cape Blossom Road**

This project will complete a reconnaissance study for a road from Kotzebue to Cape Blossom.

\$2,198,527 will be used for reconnaissance in '05

Total: \$2,198,527 \$2,000,000 federal, \$198,527 local match

#### **Construction of Road, Shot Gun Cove**

Construction of a road from Whittier to shotgun cove.

\$329,779 will be used for design in FFY'05 and \$1,670,221 will be used for construction in FFY'06

Total: \$2,198,527 \$2,000,000 federal, \$198,527 local match

#### **Emmonak Street Lighting**

Install street lighting along roads in the community.

\$109,923 will be used for design in FFY'05 and \$989,341 construction in FFY'06

Total: \$1,099,264 \$1,000,000 federal, \$99,264 local match

**Kodiak Island Roads**

Construct road Improvements. Project may include pedestrian improvements along school routes.

\$219,853 will be used for design in FFY'05 and \$ 1,209,190 will be used for construction in FFY'06

Total: \$1,429,043 \$1,300,000 federal, \$129,043 local match

**Nikiski Emergency Escape Road**

Pave a 4-mile, 2-lane gravel road that leads from the Nikiski area to the City of Kenai.

\$54,963 will be used for design in FFY'05 and \$494,669 will be used for construction in FFY'06

Total: \$549,632 \$500,000 federal, \$49,632 local match

**Pt. Hope Evacuation Road**

Reconstruct the existing Kupak Road, including grade raises in low areas prone to flooding.

\$164,890 will be used for design in FFY'05 and \$2,033,637 will be used for construction in FFY'06

Total: \$2,198,527 \$2,000,000 federal, \$198,527 local match

**Wasilla Substandard Road Improvements**

Pave and construct drainage improvements on approximately 10 miles of gravel roads within the City limits.

Funding will be used for design in FFY'05 and construction in FFY'06

Total: \$1,099,263 \$1,000,000 federal, \$99,263 local match

Environmental, Planning, and Real Estate Research

**Emmonak Dust and Persistent Particulate Abatement Research**

Conduct dust abatement research on roads in the community.

\$125,000 will be used for design in FFY'05 and \$1,000,000 construction in FFY'06

Total: \$1,250,000 \$1,000,000 federal, \$250,000 local match

Bridge Discretionary

**Juneau: Bridge Repair and Upgrade**

Identify and remedy deficiencies, including possible replacement, of up to six city-owned bridges. Two of these structures cross Jordan Creek, three cross Gold Creek and one is located on a hillside traversed by Basin Road.

\$125,000 will be used for design and \$707,000 will be used for construction in FFY'05 and \$1,400,000 will be used for construction in FFY'06

Total: \$2,232,000 \$1,785,600 federal, \$446,400 local match

Federal Lands

**Serpentine Hot Springs Road, Bering Land Bridge National Park**

Improve access to Serpentine Hot Springs through coordination with the local community and the National Park service.

Funding will be used for design in FFY'05 and construction in FFY'06

Total: \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 federal

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**Galena Road Resurfacing**

Provide surface course and dust control on approximately 5 miles of local roads using chip seal or other dust palliatives.

\$100,000 will be used for design in FFY'05 and \$1,400,000 will be used for construction in FFY'06

Total: \$1,500,000 \$1,500,000 federal

**Kenai Peninsula Borough Roads**

Project will pave high volume local roads.

\$500,000 will be used for design in FFY'05 and \$4,500,000 will be used for construction in FFY'06

Total: \$5,000,000 \$5,000,000 federal

**Mat-Su Borough Pt. McKenzie Road Improvements**

Upgrade and begin paving the last 15 miles of the Pt. McKenzie Road from Ayrshire Road to Port McKenzie

\$900,000 will be used for design in FFY'05 and \$5,100,000 will be used for construction in FFY'06

Total: \$6,000,000 \$6,000,000 federal

**Kotzebue Road Improvements**

Improve roads in Kotzebue

\$1,500,000 will be used for construction in FFY'05

Total: \$1,500,000 \$1,500,000 federal

**Nome Roads**

Continue improvements to road drainage and paving for dust control on Nome City Streets.

\$100,000 will be used for design in FFY'05 and \$900,000 will be used construction in FFY'06

Total: \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 federal

**Seward Highway Recreational Improvements**

Construct RV rest stops along the Seward Highway. Locations may include Bird Flats, Bird Creek, Windy Corner and Rainbow Creek.

\$200,000 will be used for design in FFY'05 and \$500,000 will be used for construction in FFY'06 and \$1,300,000 will be used for construction beyond FFY'06

Total: \$2,000,000 \$2,000,000 federal

**Transportation and Community and System Preservation Program****Mat-Su Blair Lake Trail** (shown as the Gorsuch Trail in the Congressional record)

Construct a five-mile gravel road between the proposed camp on Princess Tours property and Blair Lake.

\$300,000 will be used for design in FFY'05 and \$1,700,000 construction in FFY'06

Total: \$2,000,000 \$2,000,000 federal

**Mat-Su Hatcher Pass Nordic Ski Trail System**

Construct a parking area adjacent to a stadium area and biathlon range and construct a trail head and looping trails approximately 17 kilometers of which would be international/Olympic trails and 17 kilometers of intermediate family trails.

\$600,000 will be used for design in FFY'05 and \$3,400,000 will be used for construction in FFY'06

Total: \$4,000,000 \$4,000,000 federal

We also propose to add two sanitation road projects. To offset the addition of both project design starts design of the St. Paul Landfill Access road will be delayed from '05 to '06. The projects are:

**False Pass Landfill Access Road**

Construct a .6 mile, gravel-surface, two-lane road from the vicinity of the City Dock to a new landfill facility. This project will allow the USDA to construct the False Pass Landfill.

\$450,000 will be used for design in FFY'05 and \$2,905,000 will be used for right of way, utilities, and construction beyond FFY'06

Total (added to the '04-'06 STIP): \$450,000 \$409,365 federal, \$40,365 local match

**St. Mary's Sanitation Road**

Construct a 550 foot long road to the new Pitkas Point Water Treatment Plant, Washeteria, and Sewage Processing Plant.

\$70,000 will be used for design in FFY'05 and \$280,000 will be used for construction beyond FFY'06

Total (added to the '04-'06 STIP): \$70,000 \$63,679 federal, \$6,321 local match

This STIP amendment was developed in compliance with Title 23 - Section 135 and the State Planning Regulations. Projects that are in air quality non-attainment areas are in conformity with the State Implementation Plan for Air Quality.

We request your approval of this amendment to the 2004-2006 STIP.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Barton". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mike Barton  
Commissioner

cc: Jennifer Bowman, Community Planner, Federal Transit Administration, Region X  
Jeff Ottesen, Director, Division of Program Development, DOT&PF